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Questions arose as to whether the dental clinic would be in compliance with §§ 54/1-2717 and 54.1-2718 of the Code of Virginia (1950) as amended and the Drug Control Act. The consensus of the Board was that Howard Casway, Counsel to the Board and Jack Ackerly, Attorney for the Northern Virginia Dental Society would discuss this matter further.

3. Discuss CDC's "Recommended Infection Control Practice for Dentistry, 1993."

Ms. Haywood made a motion, which was seconded, that the Board adopt the revised CDC Guidelines as they relate to the practice of dentistry, which unanimously carried.

4. Discuss the Smoking Cessation Policy of the AADE.

The Board discussed the policy and it was determined that the minutes of January 30-31, 1992, reflected that Board's policy on Smoking Cessation, and that this should be reported to the AADE.

Dr. Speer will bring this information to the attention of the Test Committee to suggest that questions be included on the examination relative to smoking cessation.

5. Discuss whether solo practitioner's must initial charts.

The Board determined that where there is one licensee in the office, charts do not have to be initialed.

A memo will be sent to investigations and inspections regarding this matter.

6. Discuss whether a dentist who is an employee, violates Statutes/Regulations, is the owner-dentist liable?

It was determined that the Board will review each case separately.

7. Discuss board orders specifying blood, urine, or breathalyzer screens should be observed or supervised.

The Board determined that the blood, urine, or breathalyzer screens must be observed.

8. Discuss standardizing Consent Order for chemical dependency cases.

The consensus of the Board is where alcohol and other drugs are the chemicals of choice then a urine screen is sufficient and

**Virginia Board of Dentistry
Minutes
Special Called Meeting
September 14, 1991**

The Virginia Board of Dentistry held its meeting to discuss Board business and to discuss recommendations of the Committee on Infection Control, at the Hyatt-Regency Reston, Reston Towne Center, 1800 Presidents Street, Reston, Virginia, at 11:00 a.m.

Present: Sanford L. Lefcoe, D.D.S., President
Roger E. Wood, D.D.S., Secretary-Treasurer
Margaret L. Green, R.D.H., M.S.
M. Joan Gillespie, D.D.S., M.S.
Robert M. Lawrence, Jr., D.D.S., J.D.
Joseph A. Riley, D.D.S.

Also Present Nancy Taylor Feldman, Executive Director
Howard M. Casway, Assistant Attorney General
Pam Horner, Administrative Assistant

Not Present James T. Martin, Esquire
James D. Watkins, D.D.S.

Determination of Quorum

Dr. Wood announced a quorum of the Board.

Report of Infection Control Committee

Dr. Wood discussed the Dental Statutes with respect to the issue of infection control.

Dr. Wood made a motion, which was seconded, that the Board, with advice of the Attorney General's office, has adequate authority in §54.2706(5), (8) or (10) to enforce issues regarding infection control, which unanimously carried.

The Board's legal counsel will prepare a statement which can be released regarding infection control and shall be included in the next Bulletin, with copies to the press, legislators and Boards of Medicine and Nursing.

Board of Health Professions

The Board discussed the study the Board of Health Professions has been requested to conduct regarding the duties of the dental hygienist.

Dr. Lawrence made a motion, which was seconded, that, in view of the fact that the Board is working under duress, a

Hugh Riley Rankin, D.D.S.

Dr. Gillespie made a motion, which was seconded, that the Board accept the Consent Order on Dr. Rankin, dated August 7, 1991, which unanimously carried.

John F. McNeal, D.D.S.

Dr. Wood made a motion, which was seconded, that the Board accept the Consent Order on Dr. McNeal, dated August 7, 1991, which unanimously carried.

Report of Board of Health Professions - Dr. LawrenceLegislative Proposals

Mr. Henderson reported to the Board that both legislative proposals that were submitted by the Board of Dentistry were returned as not essential.

Office Inspections

The target date for random office inspections for dentists holding Controlled Substance Registration Certificates is November 1, 1991. These inspections will check records and inventory of controlled substances on the premises to see if they are handled properly. The funds for this will primarily be from the Board of Pharmacy.

Discussion of Guidelines for Infection^s Control

Dr. Lawrence and Mr. Henderson, Director, discussed with the Board the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) guidelines. Mr. Henderson asked that the Board initiate a review of the guidelines and if necessary be prepared to put into place such regulations as might be found necessary.

Dr. Lawrence made a motion, which was seconded, that the Board President appoint a Committee submit to the Board regulations consistent with the CDC guidelines, which unanimously carried.

Committee ReportsExamination Committee - Ms. Green

Dr. Watkins discussed the test committee survey sent out by SRTA.

Ms. Green discussed a Radiation Safety video used by the South Carolina Dental Board, that the Committee has been seeking for use in the Radiation Safety Courses taught at various locations throughout the state.